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"And when the day of Pentecost was fully come they were all with one accord in one place." Acts 1:1.
"And they were all filled with the Holy Ghost, and began to speak with other tongues, as the Spirit gave them utterance." Acts 2:4.

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THE HOLY GHOST OUR LEADER

He Does not Lead People into Confusion, and Contrary to Scripture.

Those Who Hold Contrary Views Are Certainly not Led by the Holy Spirit of God.

It is hardly possible to magnify the work of the Holy Ghost too much. While we may know but very little about the depths of His work yet the little we do know is so great that we will never be able to exhaust it. History gives some slight description of His work during the past six thousand years. He has been engaged and on the scene all the while. One generation would pass and another one come, that one would pass away and still another follow after, but He has never ceased and is still patiently working on thoroughly bent on finishing His task.

When He found this world (this is the way we will express it) it was without form and void and darkness was upon the face of the deep. There was no life—no vegetation, no animals, no light, nothing attractive to one of our understanding, but in the course of time under His supervision and labors the light began to shine, the dry land appeared and the flowers began to bloom, the stalwart oaks began to sway as they were moved by the breezes that passed along the way. Then there came the animal life and across the plains roved the flocks and herds, and the fowls of the air wafted their sweet songs and notes of praise to their Maker across the plains and through the forests.

Later came man in the very image of the great God Himself, the crowning work of creation. His beautiful form, sweet disposition, gratitude to his Creator, ability to converse with God, capable of being a companion of the Lord, was so attractive that surely God Himself must have admired him. To him God gave the honor of naming the beasts of the field and the fowls of the air and every living thing. To him He gave supremacy over all other creation. What honor conferred

upon man! What prospects before him! What glory awaiting him! And although this was all blighted in a moment by one act of disobedience, the Holy Spirit did not retreat, or retire from His post of duty and say, "It can't be done. He is right at it yet in this twentieth century."

As He came into this world and turned confusion and chaos into beauty, life and harmony, so He comes into the lives of men and women today and works in a similar way. He finds many wretched and ruined lives and homes that are blighted by sin and wickedness, and in a little while there is such a change wrought that they hardly seem to be the same people that were once so low down in sin. The desires are changed, the conversation is not the same, the habits are altogether different. What has done all this? The Holy Ghost, as He led them out of darkness and applied the blood of Jesus that purified and cleansed them from all sin and uncleanness.

As we get farther on in the Christian life we realize more fully the leadership of the Holy Ghost. When He comes in to abide we become more sensitive to His touch. This acuteness can also be cultivated until one will be able to measure up to an experience described by the Psalmist, where he shows an attainment in life in which the Lord will guide us with His eye. (Psa. 42:8.) On the other hand this leadership of the Holy Ghost can be so disregarded and ignored until the individual will become hardened so he will have no leadings whatever, as the Holy Ghost can make no impression upon him in any way.

In His description of the office work of the Holy Ghost Jesus said, "He shall teach you all things, and bring all things to your remembrance, whatsoever I have said unto you." (John 14

26.) Again He said, "Howbeit when the Spirit of truth is come, he will guide you into all truth: for He shall not speak of himself; but whatsoever he shall hear, that shall he speak: and he will show you things to come. He shall glorify me for he shall receive of mine, and shall shew it unto you." (John 16:13, 14.) After having considered these Scriptures and the general teaching of the Word we readily admit that the Holy Ghost is our leader. We know, too, that He leads people right and never wrong.

We do not pretend to say that all who claim they are led by the Holy Ghost are really led by Him, but if they are not they should not make such claims. There is much confusion in doctrine and otherwise among professing Christians, and even among some who claim they are led by the Holy Ghost, but no matter what the claims nor what the standing of the people that make such claims we are fully ready and prepared to say that He does not lead people into confusion and contrary to Scripture. If people get into confusion or go contrary to Scripture the Holy Ghost has not done it. He may be charged with it and thus have to bear the blame and reproach, but He is not guilty. When He leads He always leads people out of confusion instead of into it.

Take another glimpse of how He brought this world out of confusion and its chaotic state and made it into the beautiful world that it is now. Look again at the wrecked lives that have been given into His hands and what a change He has made and how they have become a blessing instead of a curse. No, He does not lead into confusion. His work is beautifully organized and all parts that He operates will run in perfect harmony and accord. See how beautifully He operated on the day of Pentecost when every one will acknowledge that He was in the lead. Notice a few days later how Ananias and Sapphira, his wife, fell dead when they caused a discord in the run of the machinery by lying to the Holy Ghost.

I am compelled to admit there is occasionally some confusion and false teaching wedged in among some of the

very best people of the world but I do emphatically declare without fear of successful contradiction that the Holy Ghost has not led into such error. I have heard of two person's rebuking each other in tongues(?) and each claiming the Holy Ghost, and even saying it was the Holy Ghost talking through them. This will not do. The Holy Ghost does not rebuke Himself and is not the author of confusion. They could have been actuated by some spirit but not the Holy Spirit, for He does not lead people into confusion, and contrary to Scripture.

In these last days there are doctrines and doctrines and doctrines, and each sect with their special doctrine declare it with enthusiasm and zeal, and seem to be actuated by the Holy Spirit while preaching, but those who hold contrary views are certainly not led by the Holy Spirit of God when their teaching is not according to Scripture. There is only one doctrine that the Holy Ghost leads to preach and that is the true doctrine of Jesus. If I preach anything else it is not the Holy Spirit that leads me. The Holy Ghost takes the things of Jesus and shows them to us, and if people are shown some contrary doctrine by vision or imagination or by some spirit or any other way it is surely not the Holy Ghost. He does not show contrary views about the same thing only as He might reveal part to one and part to another, but these will harmonize so there will be no discord.

The standard is "Eye to eye", Isa. 52:8, and the same mind, and the same judgment and no divisions 1 Cor. 1:10, and as long as this standard is not reached by those who claim to be led of the Lord there is something wrong with somebody, for the Holy Ghost does not lead people to preach or teach contrary to the Word of God rightly divided. When the Word says to "repent" it is the same to everybody. When it says to be "baptized" it is the same to all. When it says "sanctification," all are wrong who oppose such an experience. The same can be said of the baptism of the Holy Ghost, speaking in other tongues as the Spirit gives utterance, healing for the

body, the Lord's Supper, feet washing, the Church of God, etc.

But God is raising up a people that are seeing eye to eye, and are teaching the same thing and that are really being led by the Holy Ghost. These are tutored and trained by the great Teacher, and the time is fast approaching when the old order will be reformed and it will be said, "The multitude of them that believed were of one heart and of one soul." And everybody who are outside of this harmony and one accord condition will not be recognized as believers. It may look discouraging to some, but that does not matter, the Holy Ghost is our leader and He will be successful although all the forces of hell be arrayed against Him. It is our duty to follow and He will attend to the rest. If I follow Him and you follow Him we are bound to be together because there is no division in Him.

Hallelujah! I see the standard planted on the Apex of the Truth with its folds waving in the breeze and I am determined to push ahead and go with all who are steadily marching to the heights of royalty where all speak the same thing and are perfectly joined together in the same mind and in the same judgment. I have caught a glimpse of the same royal company that Isaiah saw when he prophesied 2,627 years ago.

Shout, shout the battle cry,
Freedom for all;
Grace, grace and unity,
Send forth the call.

"Thy watchmen shall lift up the voice; with the voice together shall they sing: for they shall see eye to eye, when the Lord shall bring again Zion." (Isaiah 52:8.)

Big Spring, Tenn.

Dear Bro. Tomlinson and all The Saints:

Greeting in Jesus' Name.

I am praising God for His Goodness to me. O, how I do love Him. I am praising Him for health and strength and for His keeping power that keeps me each day. He saved me about seven years ago. He sanctified me and gave me the Holy Ghost about two years ago. I praise His sweet Name for He has been with me since that time.

Your sister in Christ.
Dorothy Erby.

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EDITORIAL NOTES

There is a demand for another ten thousand edition of the tract, "Which Church Did Christ Establish?" I am wondering if somebody would not like to assist in the expense. I paid for the last five thousand myself and sent them out free, but I don't feel able to make this venture alone now with all the other expenses I have. This tract is accomplishing untold good and should be circulated by the millions. What do you say to giving a little lift and help us scatter this wonderful tract everywhere?

Tidings of a peculiar nature comes to us this week. A note from Talladega, Ala., states that the writer, Robt. Haywood, is in the jail partly for Jesus' sake. He loves the Lord and is afflicted in some way, but he does not want to take medicine. He says they claim he is "unbalanced" and are compelling him before a board of doctors and may send him to the hospital at Tuscaloosa, Ala. He asks for special prayer. He writes a good letter and it does not read like it was written by an insane person.

A note from Virginia states that a little child belonging to Jas. Crowder has died, and the parents did not call a physician and there is strong talk of dragging him before the court like they did Bro. Barney. He lives in the same locality of Brother Barney's home. Let's take this matter earnestly to the Lord. He can control men and courts.

We have stated before that we can't promise to publish all the testimonials that are sent us, but it may be

necessary to remind our friends of this occasionally so they will not feel that we are showing partiality. It is our purpose to favor all with space as far as possible, but if yours never appears please don't think we have anything against you or what you have written. It is only because we fail to get to it before we consider it to old. We have had to cast aside quite a number of fine testimonials because we could not get them in at a proper time. We feel that it is important to put in the reports and some good articles and then fill up with the testimonials. We are always pleased for you to write whether they appear in the paper or not. God bless you all.

We have disposed of a goodly number of Roy Miller's book since we advertised it at five cents each, but we still have a few left that we want to put into the hands of the people. Why not follow the example of some who ordered 10 at a time to hand out to their friends. Remember we pay the postage when you order as many as ten at one time.

We have received so many good reports of the good accomplished from the reading of the "Last Great Conflict" that we have decided to make another special effort to put the book before the people at a reduced price. During the month of May you can get it for 25c each or \$1.00 for five to one address, post paid. Five friends can join together and get it for 20c. Get up a club on this plan and send in your order. Or, you get four others at 25c each and you get the book free. Send for circulars to assist you in your canvass.

Nazarine University, Pasadena, Cal.

Dear Brother Tomlinson and Evangel Readers:

When about seventeen years of age (two years ago) I got under conviction for my sins, I repented and believe I was forgiven. I was in doubt about my sanctification most of the time, although a few times I believed I had the blessing.

About this time I came in touch with brother Charlie Moore, of Ontario, Cal., my home town, and he brought the light of pentecost to me but I was not willing to pay the price.

I was attending a holiness church at the time, and they did not believe in the third blessing. This made the price still greater. The Lord

MY EXPERIENCE.

Fred W. Steed.

I was only a boy and shaping my life, And into many bad habits then I would dive. The cigarette smoking came round as a fad, Then as every one smoked I thought it not bad; So three years of smoking the terrible weed Took all the 'go-ginger' out of Fredrick Steed.

So its clutches took hold as the jaws of a lion, I could not get loose with great efforts of trying. On the verge of despondency, hope had all fled, I looked in the future and carelessly said: "If the future before me is the same as the past, Just as well commit suicide at the first as the last."

On the road one evening a kind voice said, "Where will you spend eternity, Fred?" The words cut deep, and he was my friend. So I searched out my pockets and began to amend. The conviction got stronger as on home I went, And I made up my mind to go and repent.

Passing a school house, the Jefferson by name, I fell on my knees and He recorded my name. There was joy in my heart to know that the past That had troubled me so was banished at last. As for swearing and smoking the "want-to" was gone; I've been praising the Lord from that time on.

But in a few months, as most people know, The old carnal nature began to show; And the sinning and repenting state came in view, The people all told me "its the best you can do." But God sent a preacher, who gave out the word, Who said, "that sinning was not of the Lord."

So I delivered up the "old man" to be crucified, Plunged under the blood and got sanctified. Then I followed on to know the Lord, Still praying, trusting and obeying His word, I found that old Peter on pentecost said. "The Spirit's for them that are afar off;" Fred.

So I being determined to go all the way, Went down before God determined to stay 'Til over my soul His power came in view, And speaking in tongues of course they came too. Now trusting in Jesus I find blessed peace, And you all may have it, if from sin you will case.

Parkersburg, W. Va.

kept on talking to me but I would not yield, so He smote me with pneumonia fever which I felt was going to be fatal. While thus confined I promised the Lord that I would be anything for Him if He would raise me up once more. He was faithful while I was not but drifted in the same direction as before.

Finally, the Lord seemed to leave me; it seemed that I was doomed forever; my prayers seemed to go no higher than my head.

One Sunday after coming here to this school I went to Whittier, where I had attended the dedication of the Church of God about two years ago. Upon arrival I found the former church building occupied as a residence, and my plans seemed foiled. Not long after this I received a copy of the Evangel containing a testimony from Mrs. Hockett at Whittier, (which afterwards looked like the direct working of the Lord.) I immediately wrote and got her address and I have attended

the meetings twice since then. At one of the meetings it seemed like the enemy was trying to discourage me, when a sister got up and said that all she knew about me was what the Spirit told her "That the Lord had a work for me." The Lord then and there defeated the devil, and has kept him defeated. Thank the Lord, that is enough to shout over.

I earnestly believe that the Lord has a work for me. This I have felt ever since I came to Him. If it is His will and He opens the way, I intend to return to the South this summer and work among the people or do whatever He bids me.

Time is short, eternity long and unchangable, and souls are perishing every day. Should not this behoove us to be about our Father's business? If we should labor a life time and rescue only one soul, how that soul would shine, and bless us through all eternity.

My earnest desire and request is that you all will pray for me that I may know the

fullness of the blessing of the gospel of Christ and that He may lead me in His own way.

Your brother contending for the faith, once delivered to the saints.

Raleigh Oliver.

Cleveland, Tenn.

Greetings to All the Saints Abroad:

I want to praise God this morning for this wonderful, wonderful salvation. I have been in this way seven years. The way grows brighter and Jesus seems more precious each day. I never have been the least bit discouraged or felt like giving up, but I feel more determine to go through. Satan has tried hard to pull me beneath the waves, but praise God I still have the victory. How I thank Him for His healing power. I have been healed several times by his mighty power I never loved Jesus and appreciated His precious blood as I do now. I want to please him above every thing else and my daily prayer to God is for him to keep me stirred up and to keep me from growing cold. If there ever was a time in life for the saints to work, watch, and pray, it surely must be now. Pray for me that I may be strong in the Lord.

Your sister in Christ,
Mrs. D. W. Haworth.

Chokoloskee, Fla.

Dear followers of Jesus:

Greetings in Jesus' Name.

I am so glad I am still saved, sanctified and filled with the Holy Ghost and He still testifies. I can hear a still small voice: "Go deeper, go deeper." I intend to go all the way. I never expect to give up my experience for I know that I have surely found Jesus.

Not long ago Bro. Hesson was here and He administered the Lord's supper and feet washing and God was with us of a truth. I never realized how Christ suffered for us as I did that night. Though my face was wet with tears I was satisfied that I was following Him. At first I did not intend to take the supper, but the Holy Ghost whispered, "Do you intend to backslide?" I answered, "No, my Lord," and He showed me that if I did not intend to backslide that this was another step forward; then I was satisfied, Praise God.

All pray much for me that I may be watching and ready when Jesus comes, and also remember our band here on this island.

Your humble sister,
Ida May Lopez.

Relation of the Church to the Pastor

By Sam C. Perry

The pastor is the highest official in the local church. Without him the Church of God is not fully equipped for its work. But no matter how good or how poor the pastor may be, his usefulness to a large degree depends on the attitude of the church toward him. There are some duties the church owes the pastor that are almost indispensable if a successful work is accomplished. If a pastor should succeed without the cooperation of his people it would be the exception and not the rule, to be sure. We feel safe in saying that prosperity in any church depends almost, if not quite, as much on the members filling their places properly and keeping their right attitude toward the pastor, as it does on the pastor keeping in his proper relations to the members and doing his work rightly. How often we have seen the work of a good pastor broken to pieces by a few members possessed of the wrong spirit, and on the other hand we have seen a good solid body of believers who were established in the truth, refuse to be misled or sidetracked by the efforts of a misguided pastor.

There should be perfect accord between the pastor of and his church, they should have close fellowship and harmony in the spirit. "Two cannot walk together except they be agreed," much less work together. Six men moving in harmony may carry a very heavy weight, but they cannot carry a very light weight if three are pulling one way and three the other. This is one reason so little is accomplished in some places, so many by their conduct and spirit are pulling some other way. While one man puts up and another tears down the structure does not go up very rapidly.

When the members of the church hold aloof from the pastor, do not pray, pay or live as they should and the work goes down, is it right for these same members to find fault with the pastor and blame him for the state of the Church? You may say you did not favor getting this man for pastor, therefore you cannot stand by him. Perhaps such reasoning would be right if we were only servants of men, but if we are the true servants of the Lord we must and will look after the interests which he has left to us, and we will not "fly the track" because the Lord has placed environments about us or caused our lot to be cast

with some individuals who are not doing God's service as we think they should. If some of God's servants about us, fail to preach or live as they should, we should only shine the brighter, do our duty the more faithfully, that no matter what may befall others, our lot may be with the faithful; our lot after all is to be faithful to the Lord Jesus no matter what our surroundings may or may not have been. As to the pastor the church should:

1. Recognize him under God as their leader, whose business it is to watch over and be a feeder of the Lord's sheep, by preaching the Word unto them, praying for them, loving, admonishing, and exhorting them, while he lives the Christ-like life before them. During the trials and difficulties of life he should be able to comfort, refresh and encourage the saints.

2. "Esteem him very highly in love for his work's sake." "God gave *** pastors." He should be accepted as a heaven sent gift, and appreciated as such.

3. "Assist him in whatsoever he hath need of you." By prayer and personal work, or our testimony at appropriate times, giving of our means, and giving our presence regularly at all public services, just the presence of good men and women is often a great help and encouragement to the pastor; without such to stand by him, he is at a great disadvantage and hindered at every crook and turn in the way.

The very life of the church is dependent on a lot of good earnest praying. The pastor cannot do it all; many other duties crowd upon him, but every individual in the church can pray, and if all prayed as they should for each other, the pastor and all the interests of the church, the many difficulties and misunderstandings would be more easily overcome, and the salvation work would go on more easily and more gloriously.

The Sunday School work, too, is very important, and should be entered into very heartily by every member of the church. The pastor should not be required to take the lead in this, but he should be ready to give a word of encouragement or advice occasionally to the strong lay workers that carry it forward.

4. All the members of the church should be in hearty cooperation with the pastor in all the material affairs of

the church, and especially as to the support of him and his family. Few things show quicker the spiritual weakness of a church than this. It seems that the pocket book is often the last thing that people surrender. How people can go to meeting and shout and profess a high standard of religious experience, and hold back God's part of their means, is a mystery we have never been able to fathom. At least they have forgotten the words of Jesus, "Freely ye have received, freely give."

Coffeeville, Miss.

Dear Bro. Tomlinson and all the Church of God:

I feel I must write you a little more fully of my experience in the light of the Church of God in which I have been forced to walk. I have reasons for doing this which are very important, I believe, in my relations to our Father and His kingdom; and also because of His work which I am sure has begun at this place.

I hope the Spirit will burden many hearts for this place. I have had a vision of a most wonderful revival; I do not say it was for this place alone, it could have meant many places, however, I was much impressed that the revival was coming to our own home neighborhood. At the time this vision came to me I was not in connection with the Church of God; I was in opposition to it. But I asked the Lord how this revival should come to us, and the answer was, "Through the Church of God." It was so clear to me that it was God's voice I heard that I could not doubt it. I promised the Lord I would be united to the Church in spirit alone, but I would not join. I found that a real change had taken place in my heart; that the Holy Spirit had taken out all bitterness, opposition, criticism, etc. When this vision came to me I was under the power of the Holy Ghost and His operation cut out all divisions and strivings, and the most wonderful thing was that division was gone. If there was division it was in those who would divide. My heart is so free from it, it is entirely gone. My prayer is that this wonderful work may take place in the heart of all God's people that we all be one as the Father, Son and Holy Ghost are one, that we may all be one in Him.

Through much affliction I was led further on in the light. We must walk while we have light. By a wonderful healing the Holy Ghost led me gently forward. O, the

wonderful love of our God! He is so tender, longsuffering and patient toward them who love Him. I loved Him and He knew it and in His effort to guide my feet He offered to take one of our little ones. With all my heart I sought His face and His will. I saw again this great revival, the picture was again before me—voices were uttering in Spirit, "To know Him in the fellowship of His suffering and in the power of his resurrection." How shall I know thee, O God? I cried.

"Through my Church," I was sure I heard Him say.

At that time I was in the deep valley of intercession. We are warned in His Word to believe not every spirit, but try the spirits whether they be of God.

We arose and took the child fifteen miles to some of the Church of God saints although we knew death was already at work in her body, and today she is to me God's seal on this step which I was forced to take in obedience to His Spirit—She was healed and the Lord spoke to me in the Spirit and pointed to you brethren and said, "Do you see them? they are my people, will you be one of them?" He stood over me with a great switch in His hand. He asked me plainly if I understood. He knew I did, then He asked me if I was going to obey. I answered 'yes' and got up from before Him knowing what He meant and I was determined that all power of Satan's forces could not stop me so divinely guided. I saw Him lower that awful switch and leave me to act. I lost sight of all men and saw and heard God only; men's voices were faint at that time—those who opposed and those who were in the church were the same to me. I cared for nothing in this world, obedience was all I had in mind. The sight of the great one who held the switch over me was more than the world could ever impress on my heart. Men and all the world seemed so small. Yet He revealed to me that through men He was to save the world, and that men were used as instruments and that I must honor those to whom honor is due. He revealed to me that although His apostles and Jesus were men that it was the Holy Spirit in man that would accomplish His work here.

I have many things I would like to say but I am sure this is lengthy enough. I hope that many saints will unite with us in prayer for this great revival.

Yours in His service,
Pearl Adams.

Eldorado, W. Va.

Bear Bro. Tomlinson:

I have not written to the Evangel for over two years, for it seemed the paper was full of such good testimonies that I didn't think it needful for me to say anything. My husband takes the paper and we think we could hardly live without it. Yes, it is more than one extra meal each week. O, how good it is to read a few lines from our brothers and sisters who seem so near and dear to us.

There are only six believers here and we all live so far apart that we can't have meeting very often. We are very much grieved sometimes because we can't meet with our dear brothers and sisters whom we have been reading so much about, how we would love to be with them in the good work for the Lord.

I have to cry when I read the letters from Bro. and Sr. Barney, still I know the Lord will bring everything out all right. I hope they will not get discouraged for we remember that Jesus suffered these things before us and He said, "If ye were of the world, the world would love his own," and also, "The servant is not greater than his Lord, if they have persecuted me, they will also persecute you." (St. John 15: 19-20.)

It may be that some of the readers of the Evangel would like to know what became of the two brothers who were arrested for speaking in tongues and tried at Elkhurst. It never amounted to anything, and they are talking in tongues more than ever before, and our faith is stronger than ever. We do not let a thing like that bother us for we know what the Word says about it.

I want to say a word to all who read the Evangel and especially to those who do not have a copy of "Classified Scriptures" by Roy C. Miller. I have a copy and I think it a very valuable little book. The price of them now is only five cents and they are worth many times as much. If I had the money I would order fifty, they would be so nice to give out to friends to help them study the Bible. There is a beautiful photo of our dear Bro. Miller in the front of the book. Don't fail to order one or more copies of this book, you will never miss the amount. I would not take a dollar for the one I have if I could not get another.

All please pray for me that I may live holy and that God will heal me of all my weaknesses.

Your unworthy sister,
Mrs. Minnie Kline.

Hard Times.

By E. L. Simmons.

In the past few months there has been an unhappiness existing even with the christian people on account of hard times.

The modern statement is that work is scarce and food products are becoming higher priced. This may be so, but God has a method by which His children may live and not be uneasy. There are a lot of people who have been ever ready to quote this Scripture to the preacher, "My God will supply all your need." Now beloved, this is not only applicable to the preacher but to every child of God.

The Psalmist David as the inspiration of the Spirit was upon him said, "Trust in the Lord and do good; so shalt thou dwell in the land and verily thou shalt be fed." As we trust in the Lord and do His will (obey His words) we can have this promise verified in us.

Beloved, God is going to take care of His children for He has promised never to leave us nor forsake us and this means in hard times.

When Israel obeyed God they always had plenty and God's angels encamped about them. "The angels of the Lord encampeth round about them that fear him." (Psa. 34:7.) If we fear God and obey Him we need not fear even hard times.

A few words from David are suitable. "I have been young and now I am old; yet have not seen the righteous forsaken, nor his seed begging bread." The devil is doing all he can to get God's people fearful and uneasy, but God wants us to remember that our Father is rich and will take care of us.

Paul says, "Rejoice evermore." Can we do this when all things seem to come against us and everything looks blue? Yes, indeed, when we remember that Jesus said, "Behold the fowls of the air; they toil not neither do they reap, yet your heavenly Father feedeth them, are ye not much better than they?"

Now beloved, God's plan for feeding the folks is found in the Word where He said, "Bring all the tithes into the storehouse * * * And I will rebuke the devourer for your sakes, and he shall not destroy the fruits of your ground; And all nations shall call you blessed: for ye shall be a delightful land, saith the Lord of hosts." (Mal. 3: 10, 11, 12.)

Let us remember His promises.

Fyffe, Ala.

Dear Bro. Tomlinson and all of God's people:

I am praising God this morning for His wonderful works and for the way of holiness in the light of which I am walking day by day. The way seems hard sometimes but we will always find Jesus close at hand if we will just trust Him. He has been a friend to me on every side. My husband does not believe in this way much and I ask you all to pray that he may see the light of this way. There are a lot of holiness fighters around here who hinder our meetings very much. We pray for them. I received the Holy Ghost about a year ago and I aim to keep pressing on in the battle for the right till Jesus comes, which I don't believe is very long off. Pray for our little band of members that we may stay altogether and in one mind and one body.

Your sister in Christ,
Alma Whorton.

Dear Bro. Tomlinson:

Greeting in Jesus' Name. I am praising God this morning for full salvation. Glory to God. I am saved, sanctified and filled with the Holy Ghost. I have been baptized for a year and I am not tired of the way yet. Will all pray for me that I may go all the way with Jesus.

Your sister under the blood,
Mrs. P. O. Paty.**J. W. Buckalew's Slate.**

Ona, Fla. April 14-May 2.
Macon, Ga. May 8-June 6.
Alabama City, Ala. June 19-July 11.
Knoxville, Tenn. July 17-Aug. 1.
LyFayette, Ga. Aug. 7-Sept. 1.

These meetings have been promised. We might get through at some of these places sooner than we expect and might stay longer than we think. If these dates conflict with any arrangements of the pastors or state overseers write us and we will make changes to suit.

We have a little time from September 1st till the Assembly, so if we are wanted for that time in Tennessee or Georgia, we would like to know soon.

Pray for us.
J. W. Buckalew and wife.**Parkersburg, W. Va.**

Greetings in Jesus' dear Name.

I am praising God this morning for victory in my soul. Glory, hallelujah! I can never praise Him enough for what He has done for me

and the way He heals my body and what He is doing here. There have been some wonderful cases of healing here. One man here was given up by the doctors, who said he would never get well without an operation, but we prayed and laid our hands on him and thank God He healed him. Glory! We can't get to all the places to pray for the sick, they are sending to us from all over the city and outside, too. Glory to God. I have not had but one night's rest since the first of January when I was able to go. God is working here: the sick being healed, the blind made to see, fire being handled and the devil mad. The Holy Ghost is still falling and of course they all talk in tongues. Glory, Glory.

Easter Sunday morning at eleven o'clock we preached on water baptism and at three in the afternoon we went down to the Ohio River and twenty-four followed the Lord in baptism. It was the most beautiful sight I ever saw. About fifteen hundred people witnessed the scene. There are about fifteen or twenty more to be baptized. Glory. Say, I believe the Church of God is going to take this city. We started January 10th with fifteen members, and now we have fifty-one and thirty-two of them have the Holy Ghost. Hallelujah, it is breaking out all over the city. We have the gospel of Jesus Christ, the Father, Son and Holy Ghost to back us up and the devil is mad about it and I am glad the fight is on.

Brothers, fight on, the battle will soon be over and the victory won.

I want every one that reads this to pray for me up here in these W. Va. hills.

Your little brother on the battlefield,

W. M. Rumler.

Transplanted.

Murtis, daughter of Asa L. and Scottie Ellis departed this life April 3rd, 1916. She was one year and eleven months old. Our hearts are lonely but she is not lonely, for she is in the arms of Jesus who said, "Suffer little children to come unto me." Our loss is her eternal gain. We all followed the Bible during her affliction. On Sunday night before she died on Friday, Asa, Scottie, Murtis and little Efford, the baby, were all in bed sick. We had the Saints to come and pray for them. We had wonderful victory and they were all healed but Murtis; the Lord seemed to let us know that He was going to take

Murtis. After this we could only ask God to keep her easy and keep us resigned to His will, and this He has wonderfully answered for she did not seem to suffer and we are all happy in Jesus' love. We ask the prayers of all the saints that God will work it all out for His glory and our good. The opposition is great here, now, especially against divine healing. The little church here is all of one mind and one soul on taking the Lord for healing. I believe they will also stand true and be faithful unto death. May the Lord bless the father and the mother and all the family for we all feel the need of His help.

Our loss is her gain,
Her gain is sweet rest;
She is free from all pain
And happy and blest.

A little clay mound
Is all that remains
To show us the grave
That her body contains.

But higher the mound
In Grace that will save,
That speaks of vict'ry
O'er death and the grave.

O Grave, thy victory,
O Death, thy sting—
Thy power is broken
By Jesus our King.

Our Murtis will rise
From the darksome
ground
At the voice of the trumpet
The angel shall sound,
That quickens the dust
Of the sleeping dead,
Unites them with Christ,
Our glorious Head.

Let us be faithful,
True, good and kind,
In patience serve Him
With one soul and mind.
When He is ready
To call for His bride,
We will be honored
With a seat at His side.
—Her Grandfather.

Notice of Meeting.

The annual May meeting at the Stonefield Camp Ground near Cascilla, Miss. will begin Apr. 30th and continue ten days or longer.

Let all the saints pray that this meeting may be a great success in getting souls saved, sanctified and filled with the Holy Ghost, and the church strengthened and built up.

M. S. Haynes and workers in charge with the Holy Ghost to lead.

All come praying.

Ethelsville, Ala.

Dear Bro. Tomlinson:

My sister, Cliffie Simpson, is seriously afflicted with pelegria and desires the prayers of the saints that the Lord will

restore her to health. Please pray earnestly that God will deliver her from this dreadful disease.

Your sister in Christ,
Ellen Janes.**Sunday School Literature.**

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